

Croydon Park Parish

Parish Details

Our Churches:

-St Margaret Mary's

286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park

-Mater Dei

55 Beaufort St, Woodville Park

-St Patrick's

33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park

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Office Hours

Monday	Closed
Tues	9:30am - 3pm
Wed	9:30am - 3pm
Thurs	9:30am - 3pm
Fri	9:30am - 3pm

Parish Priest:

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Assistant Priest:

Fr Sam Arockiasamy SdM

Parish Staff:

-Sacramental Program

Coordinator:

Mrs Kirsty Power

-Parish Secretary:

Mrs Paula Noujaim

-Office Assistant:

Mrs Melissa Hernandez

Next Week's Readings

May 12th 2024

Solemnity of

The Ascension of the Lord, Yr B

First Reading:

Acts 1: 1-11

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 46:2-3, 6-9 God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading:

Ephesians 1: 17-23

Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

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May 5th 2024

6th Sunday of Easter, YEAR B

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

First Reading

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 (JB)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up', he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-4 (JB)

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders.

His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. **R.**

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations.

He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. **R.**

Second Reading

1 John 4:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St John

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another.

No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit.

We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him. Love will come to its perfection in us when we can face the day of Judgement without fear; because even in this world we have become as he is. In love there can be no fear, but fear is driven out by perfect love: because to fear is to expect punishment, and anyone who is afraid is still imperfect in love.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel

John 15:9-17 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask in my name.

What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR:



RECENT: We pray for **Ercolino Riccio** who passed away recently and whose funeral Mass was held in St Margaret Mary's on Friday. May he rest in peace and his family be comforted.

ANNIVERSARIES: **Jeffrey Basic** (1st), **Amita Lewis** (1st), **Raphael Lewis** (1st), **Maria Hong Thi Tam** (2nd)

OUR SICK:

George Habib, Justin Cardoza, Dan Nguyen, Carmel Hall, Franco Zardo, Ken Davey, David Scott, Anna Sageese, Nha Thanh Le, Jim McClure, Hien Vu Thai Nguyen, Roma Sergi, Karen Mesa, Richard Mesa, Paul Nelson, Barbara Nelson, Enza Langone, Samuel Nguyen, Orlando Mammone, Rosina Riccio, Angelina Luppino, Phanxico Phuoc, Salvatore Borbouo, Carmella Mammone, Tommy O'Mahony, Nicolena DiGiovanni, Dam Thi Khuc, Velibor, Boris & Bob Basevski, Giuseppina Candido, John Best, Mike Kain, Daryll Abrea, Veronica Aguilera, Rosa Greco, Cammi Longford, Alicea Longford, Giuse Nguyen Thanh Dam, Joseph Patrose, Thomas Peter, Joe Vozzo, Chong Vu, Vince Greco, Marta Aguilera, Gloria Zelava, Viet Nguyen.

Sunday Intercessions

We pray with Pope Francis in his intention for May, that the formation of men and women religious and seminarians will guide them to maturity, growing in wisdom and pastoral love.

Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

We pray for love in our own lives, grounded in the love of Jesus, so that our lives are of service towards those in need, and faithful in prayer before God.

Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

We pray in this Children's Mental Health Awareness Week for those who struggle to cope with life, that parents, teachers, counsellors and medical professionals will be united in their care of them.

Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

We pray for children around the world who are traumatized by war and conflict, in refugee camps, detention and by being kidnapped, through sickness and grief, that we will hold them up to God in prayer this day.

Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

We pray that God will guide all working on ceasefire initiatives in the Holy Land, striving for peace between Ukraine and Russia, and negotiating with terrorist groups and governments in Sudan, Nigeria, Myanmar and Haiti.

Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

We pray for Archbishop Leonard Faulkner on this 6th anniversary of his death, for the victims of war, domestic violence and murder. We also remember ...

Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus is telling us he loves us very much. How does it feel to know that Jesus loves each of us so much?

Jesus says he chose us all to be his friends, and we should love others in the same way as he loves us. He says that we should all do as much as we can to help our friends, and that if we follow his teaching, we will be friends of Jesus.

- Who are your friends?
- What do you like about your friends?

Friends can make us happy and laugh. They help us when we find things difficult. They are kind and share with us.

Jesus asks us today to love others as he has loved us.

- How do you think we can do this?
- How can we show love for children who live far away on the other side of the world?
- How will you be a good friend this week to children here and in other countries around the world?
- And how will you follow Jesus' example of love for all people no matter where they are in the world?

2024 Marian Procession



The 75th Marian Procession will be held on **Sunday May 19** beginning 2pm at Victoria Park processing up Wakefield Street into Victoria Square. Group assembly at 1:30pm.

We encourage you to attend!

The Marian Procession is a wonderful opportunity to gather communities together and provide a prayerful experience with Mary at the centre. **For the first time, we will not gather behind community/parish signs provided by the Archdiocese, rather focus on walking together, as One Church.**

This year, we celebrate the Marian Procession on Pentecost Sunday. The Procession is followed by a time of prayer, a reflection on the Gospel, a collection and concludes with benediction.

The simplicity has always been and will remain in the act of gathering, praying the rosary and coming together in community to be a public witness of our Catholic faith.

Our Parish Family

Baptised last Sunday at Mater Dei Church, **Hung Bach** son of Quang and Maria;

Baptised at St Margaret Mary's Church, **Santino Pollifrone** son of Antonio and Amy; and **Shane Fernando** son of Samal and Chrishma.

May God bless Hung, Santino and Shane and their families.





ADELAIDE ARCHDIOCESE NOTICES

Adelaide Botanic Gardens Tour

The Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide invites you to the Adelaide Botanic Gardens Tour to celebrate Indigenous native flora for Laudato Si' Week on **Saturday May 18th 12 - 1.30pm**, meet at The Visitors Centre (North Terrace Adelaide SA 5000). Spots/places are limited so register early at www.trybooking.com/CQVLG

Power Up 2024

Exciting Youth Event - Saturday May 18th, 3 - 9.30pm at Blackfriars Priory School, 17 Prospect Rd, Prospect By Catholic Office For Youth & Young Adults.

The day will begin with interactive workshops on the themes of social justice, the environment, music and faith. There will be live music, food and the opportunity to celebrate Mass together. We have a special guest, Gen Bryant, joining us from Melbourne to deliver a music workshop and lead us in praise and worship!

Register now for Power Up 2024 through trybooking.com

Liturgy and Music Ministry Focus Day

The Secondary Religious Leaders Association are hosting our first Liturgy and Music Ministry Focus Day with special guests Gen Bryant and Lauren Bierer. Participants will partake in a range of learning in music and liturgy, and importantly, how we can keep this contemporary and exciting for young people. At Nazareth Catholic College Middle Years Campus 1 Hartley Road, Flinders Park, SA 5025

Monday, May 20th, 9am - 4pm

\$100 for non-SRELA members. Includes general admission to the full-day event, and morning tea and lunch are provided. Please register at: <https://www.trybooking.com/CRHED> or contact convener@srela.com.au

Great for religion and music teachers, leaders, or anyone looking to learn more about the importance of engaging and facilitating liturgy.

STUDENT OPPORTUNITY:

SRELA would like to invite music and religious school students to partake in a concert hosted by Gen and her band, or alternatively a focus session where Gen and her team will teach students musical numbers that can be used in your school.

Pipe Organ Recital

Colin Andrews a worldwide known concert organist will perform on **Friday May 24th, 7pm** at the St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Wakefield Street, Adelaide. Free entry.

Henley Beach Parish - Praise & Worship Event

Wednesday May 15th 6.30pm - 9pm.

Food, live music, guest speakers, prayer teams and Sacrament of Reconciliation. Let's come together to enjoy a night filled with JOY and opportunities to connect with others from around the Archdiocese while praising our Lord. For catering, please register your group.

Further information or enquiries: Barb Conlon 0439 305 543

Mass Times: May 7 - 12

Weekday Masses

-Tuesday	-9.15am	St Margaret Mary's
-Wednesday	-9.00am	St Patrick's
	-6.00pm	St Margaret Mary's (followed by Adoration, Benediction & Night Prayer)
-Thursday	-9.15am	St Margaret Mary's
-Friday	-9.15am	Mater Dei

Weekend Masses

-Saturday	-6.00pm	Mater Dei Vigil
-Sunday	-8.30am	St Patrick's
	-8.30am	St Margaret Mary's (Polish)
	-10.30am	St Margaret Mary's
	-5.00pm	Mater Dei (Vietnamese)

Confessions

-Saturday 12 noon - 12.30pm in St Margaret Mary's Church or call the 8346 0944 to make an appointment.

St Margaret Mary's Church can be opened for prayer during office hours (please sign in at Parish Office).

Our Parish Schools

Our three parish schools offer a Catholic education from Reception to Year 6. Contact each school for further information.

-St Margaret Mary's School

Principal: Ms Kelly Campbell
5 Eldon Street, Croydon Park (8245 5800)

Playgroup Fridays, 9.15-10.45am



-St Patrick's School

Principal: Mrs Barbara Ahern
33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park (8303 4500)

Playgroup Wed & Fri, 9.30-11.30am



-Whitefriars School

Principal: Mr Frank Congedi
45 Beaufort St, Woodville Park (8178 7700)

Playgroup Tues & Thurs, 9-10.30am



Child Protection Training

There will be a choice of three 90-minute **Volunteer briefing Open sessions** at Adelaide Cathedral Hall, 39 Wakefield Street for 2024:

- **Wed, June 26th 10.30 am-12.00 pm**
- **Wed, Oct 30th 10.30 am- 12.00 pm**

Any parish volunteers who need to attend the 90-minute briefing, especially Eucharistic Ministers, please register for one of the above sessions at:

childprotection@adelaide.catholic.org.au

or on 8210 8159 with full name, contact number, volunteer role and parish you volunteer at.

This briefing is required for all parish volunteers over 18.

**Note: those who have a direct role with children (e.g. Children's Liturgy leaders) need to attend a different, full-day session.*



Parish Activities This Week



CROYDON PARK PARISH SENIORS GROUP

Join us for coffee, tea and chats with fellow aged Parishioners.

Monday May 6th 10.30am at St Joseph's Centre (next to Mater Dei Church)

Aged 60 and over are welcome.

Need assistance with travel? Give the Parish Office a call on 08 8346 0944

Sacramental Programme

Confirmation meeting

7pm Wednesday May 8th

at Whitefriars School, Mary MacKillop Centre for parents and children in the Sacramental Programme.



Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

7pm Thursday May 9th

in the Parish Office Meeting Room



Mother's Day Next Weekend

There will be **NO refreshments** next weekend at Mater Dei and St Margaret Mary's following our Family Masses due to many parishioners having family commitments for Mother's Day.

The Parish is preparing small Mother's Day gifts to be handed out next weekend!



National Count of People at Mass

The Archdiocese of Adelaide conducts a Count of Attendance for All Masses and Other Sunday Assemblies held on weekends during the month of May each year, which is used in our pastoral planning and financial reporting.

After Communion,

the following categories will be announced:

-Females: 0-17, 18-29, 30-49, 50-69, 70+

-Males: 0-17, 18-29, 30-49, 50-69, 70+

Please raise your hand when your category is announced so an accurate count can be made.

Parents please raise your hand on behalf of small children.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

St Vincent de Paul WINTER APPEAL



Croydon St Vincent De Paul are appealing for Donations for the whole of May for our winter appeal. This year's theme is looking after the homeless.

There will be baskets at the church entrances for donations of non-perishable food, clothing and bedding, plus items suitable for hampers, and items or vouchers suitable for a raffle. Your generosity will make a huge difference to the lives of those in need!

There will also be a **Leaving Collection on May 18th/19th**

We thank you in advance for your support, kindness and generosity.

Donations Needed For Mater Dei Church Roof Replacement

The roof of our Mater Dei Church has deteriorated so badly that water leaks inside the church when it rains. We have repaired it numerous times, but due to extensive rust and erosion the issue continues. We have therefore been advised that the whole roof, gutters and downpipes need replacing.

This project will cost approximately \$150,000.

If you can help our Parish by donating towards this project, it would be greatly appreciated.



You can donate through the **Adelaide Archdiocese Good Giving App** on your phone, or via this link [Good Giving - find a Mass app](#)

- **Log In or Create An Account** using your email address
- Choose **Give To Parish**
- From the drop down menu at the top of the screen choose **Croydon Park Parish**
- At the top of the screen choose **Other Payments**
- Enter the amount you wish to give
- Choose **One Off Payment**
- In the "Reason" box choose **Other**
- At the bottom of the screen under "Note", enter **Roof**
- Then choose **Pay Now** and the payment will be processed.
- A receipt will be sent to you via email.

As some people are unable to donate online, we will also take up a collection on the weekend of May 26th.

PLEASE NOTE:

Donations to the parish are **NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE** as the parish is not registered as a Deductible Gift Recipient with Taxation Office.